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**REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 2153**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 09/896,244  
Filed: June 28, 2001  
Inventor:  
Sreeram Duvvuru

**Title:** Differentiated Quality of Service Context Assignment and Propagation

Examiner: Parton, Kevin S.  
Group/Art Unit: 2153  
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**RESPONSE TO FINAL ACTION OF  
APRIL 21, 2005**

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Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action of April 21, 2005, to further highlight why the application is in condition for allowance.

Please amend the case as listed below.